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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, GW

SUBJECT: LOCKHEED AND THE FRG

REF: STATE 229310-C

1. PRESS ATTACHE TODAY WAS ASKED BY WASHINGTON POST CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL GETLER IF THE EMBASSY HAD ANY INFORMATION ON A LETTER ALLEGEDLY WRITTEN BY ALLEN DULLES TO FRANZ-JOSEF STRAUSS RELATING TO THE LOCKHEED AFFAIR.

2. HE WAS TOLD THAT THE USG HAD NO RECORD OF ANY SUCH LETTER.

3. GETLER SAID THERE APPARENTLY WERE SEVERAL FORGERIES AROUND, AND THAT THIS IN ITSELF MAY BE WORTHY OF A STORY. HOWEVER, GETLER DID NOT SEEM INTERESTED IN DOING A STORY BASED EXCLUSIVELY ON THE ALLEGED DULLES LETTER.

4. GETLER SAID NEWSWEEK'S BONN BUREAU HAD BEEN RECEIVING "STRANGE MATERIAL" LATELY, ALSO RELATED TO THE LOCKHEED AFFAIR.

5. THE FIRST KNOWN RECIPIENT OF THE ALLEGED DULLES LETTER WAS DON JORDAN, BONN-BASED STRINGER FOR CBS, THE GUARDIAN AND VOA.

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6. REQUEST DEPARTMENT ALERT USIA-VOA TO ABOVE.

7. GIVEN THE CERTAINTY THAT THIS MATERIAL IS IN
CIRCULATION AND AVAILABLE TO SEVERAL
JOURNALISTS IN BONN, POST RECOMMENDS THAT
EMBASSY BRIEF A FEW WELL KNOWN AND RESPONSIBLE AMERICAN
CORRESPONDENTS ON THE NATURE OF THE ISSUE AND OUR
EVALUATION OF THE MATERIAL. ADVISE.
HILLENBRAND

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